

# SUMMARY MINUTES

## ABAG CALFED Task Force

### Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee Meeting

September 30, 2002

Conference Room B, 101 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Oakland CA 94607-4756

### WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Mike Rippey called the meeting to order at 10:30a.m. and welcomed all present. Attendance was as follows:

#### Members Present

Barbara Kondylis  
Brian Lee (Rose Jacobs Gibson's representative)  
Greg Zlotnick (Vice-Chairman)  
Julia Maclay  
Mike Rippey (Chairman)  
Robert Gonzalez  
Robert Raab  
Steven Ellis

#### Jurisdiction

Solano County  
County of San Mateo  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
County of Napa  
East Bay Municipal Utility District  
Friends of the Estuary  
Zone 7 Water Agency

#### ABAG/CALFED Staff Present

Kathleen Van Velsor  
Vina Maharaj

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### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

### NOMINATION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Motion was made by Zlotnick/S/Kondylis/C to elect Mike Rippey as Chair of the ABAG-CALFED Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee meeting.

Motion was made by Rippey/S/Kondylis/C to elect Greg Zlotnick as Vice-Chair of the ABAG-CALFED Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee meeting.

Both motions carried unanimously.

### GOVERNANCE MATTERS: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Chairman Rippey referred members to the memo from Kenneth Moy, ABAG Legal Counsel, regarding Committee Structures and Procedures. Rippey made reference to the Brown Act requirements and stated a need for Sub-committees to abide with this requirement of ABAG who has an informal policy of requiring all ABAG committees to comply with the Brown Act. A discussion followed and several questions and comments were made.

## **CALFED GOVERNANCE LEGISLATION (SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR ON 9/23/02)**

Julia Maclay of the Santa Clara Valley Water District provided members with information on SB 1653 (Costa bill) which was recently signed into law. She mentioned a companion bill that makes some minor changes to SB 1653. She referred members to a handout which included the major features and provisions of SB 1653, as amended on August 26, 2002. Maclay described the make-up of the membership and their expertise requirements.

Some of the highlights of the discussion were as follows:

- According to CALFED, they are beginning to think about the nomination process, which isn't under way yet;
- They are trying to transition the policy group immediately to get them to go along the lines of this authority;
- The budget transition;
- Federal participation – the thinking is that the Calvert bill or the Feinstein bill will be adequate to allow the federal members to participate as voting members
- BDPAC's meeting last month – they think that California legislation is a good starting point for discussion with the Federal government.
- Funding issues.

## **CALFED FEDERAL REAUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION (PENDING)**

- There is a revised draft of Feinstein's bill, one major change is the dollar amount;
- Several water users and Patrick Wright visited Washington, was a positive meeting;
- Chances for authorizations passing in Washington are very dim.

## **NEXT MEETING, WRAP UP AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the ABAG-CALFED Legislative/Governance Sub-Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, January 17, 2003 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at ABAG offices.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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